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<p><b>UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (Large Entity)</b></p> <p><i>(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))</i></p>	<p>Docket No. 2282/108</p> <p>Total Pages in this Submission 38</p>
<p><b>TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS</b></p> <p>Box Patent Application Washington, D.C. 20231</p>	
<p>Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for an invention entitled:</p> <p>Modular Data Communication Equipment System</p>	
<p>and invented by:</p> <p>Juan O. Rodriguez David J. Berman</p>	
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3.  Drawing(s) (*when necessary as prescribed by 35 USC 113*)  
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4.  Oath or Declaration  
a.  Newly executed (*original or copy*)  Unexecuted  
b.  Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (*for continuation/divisional application only*)  
c.  With Power of Attorney  Without Power of Attorney  
d.  **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application,  
see 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
5.  Incorporation By Reference (*usable if Box 4b is checked*)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under  
Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby  
incorporated by reference therein.
6.  Computer Program in Microfiche (*Appendix*)
7.  Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (*if applicable, all must be included*)  
a.  Paper Copy  
b.  Computer Readable Copy (*identical to computer copy*)  
c.  Statement Verifying Identical Paper and Computer Readable Copy

**Accompanying Application Parts**

8.  Assignment Papers (*cover sheet & document(s)*)
9.  37 CFR 3.73(B) Statement (*when there is an assignee*)
10.  English Translation Document (*if applicable*)
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15.  Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (*if foreign priority is claimed*)

16.  Additional Enclosures (*please identify below:*)

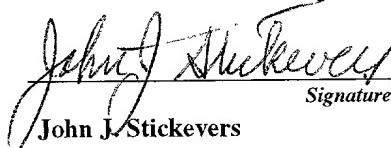
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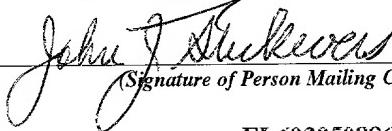
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Invention: Modular Data Communication Equipment System

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First Named Inventor	Rodriguez
Title	Modular Data Communication Equipment...
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I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing**. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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